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Director

Commission minutes: November 18, 2008 Meeting called to order at: 6:00 p.m.

1) Attendance and Quorum:

Tasha Rose Lombardi, Brenda Taylor, Regina Dyton, Joanne DiPlacido, Anita Caldwell, Tiffany McCaskill, Deon Harris, Jay Holcomb

Intern: Erika Romero

Absent: Diane Malenfant, Jose Vega

2) Recognition of Guests:

Virginia Adams, Palmira Shelton, Jennifer Torrez, Charlie Ortiz

<u>City of Hartford Staff:</u> Eloy Toppin (absent)

3) Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from previous meeting read, edits noted and revisions made, motion to accept 1st made by Tasha Rose Lombardi, 2nd by Joanne DiPlacido
Minutes approved unanimously

4) Treasurers Report: offered by Anita Caldwell

a) **Revenues** from the Drag Show

Table Donations 125.00 Door and Raffle 166.00 Hftd Food 200.00 **Total 491.00**

Expenses

 Truck
 43.86

 Labor (Moving Stage)60.00

 Charter Oak
 750.00

 DJ
 350.00

 Total
 1203.86

5) Marketing Report: offered by Jaye Holcomb

The marketing committee held it's meeting on November 18, 2008. The primary agenda was planning of the 2008 Commission Holiday Party. The party will be held on Dec. 20,2008 at the Polo Club. The next marketing committee meeting will be held on November 25, 2008 all are welcome to attend.

6) Old Business

- a) Joanne DiPlacido provided feedback on the collaboration with the Hartford Gay and Lesbian Health Collective. Joanne provided the commission with a brief history and scope of the collaboration. Joanne pointed out examples in which the Health Collective did not meet/carry out its agreement with regards to the Urban lesbian Health Project (Including the Health Focus Groups training and recruiting), and following up with the Commission. Regina Dyton recommended that a follow up meeting be scheduled between the Health Collective and the Commission.
- b) Regina Dyton provided members with a retreat update, at this time the tentative dates for an all day retreat are Dec. 6th and Dec. 13th. Regina Dyton has offered her home as retreat space.
- c) Regina reported that the intern stipend has been approved by the Mayor of Hartford.
- d) Regina Dyton presented a listing of Commission members who are slated for removal from the Commission. Based on a review of the Commission Bylaws members having 3 or more unexcused absences are to be voted/removed from the Commission membership. Motion made by Jay Holcomb: recommended that based upon the bylaws of the Commission on GLBT Issues Hartford, CT we hereby accept the resignations for: Tyrone Walker., Kathy Cordero, Allen A., and Antonio Eason. motion seconded by Joanne DiPlacido

7) Announcements

- a) Outraged 69 flyers distributed
- b) Dec 1st Youth Aids Day, flyer distributed
- c) Discussion around Obama inauguration and local bus trips.

8) Motions

- a) To accept the resignation of Tyrone Walker, Cathy Cordero, Antonio Eason, and Alan Arteche. Motion made by Jay Holcomb, seconded by Joanne DiPlacido. Vote unanimous.
- b) To have the LGBT Commission make a statement in favor of legal protection by the State of CT for transgendered rights and the city to issue a proclamation. Motion made by Jay Holcomb. Seconded by Joanne DiPlacido. Passed unanimously.

Motion made by Natasha Lombardi to adjourn 2nd made by Anita Caldwell

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Virginia Adams (11-19-08)